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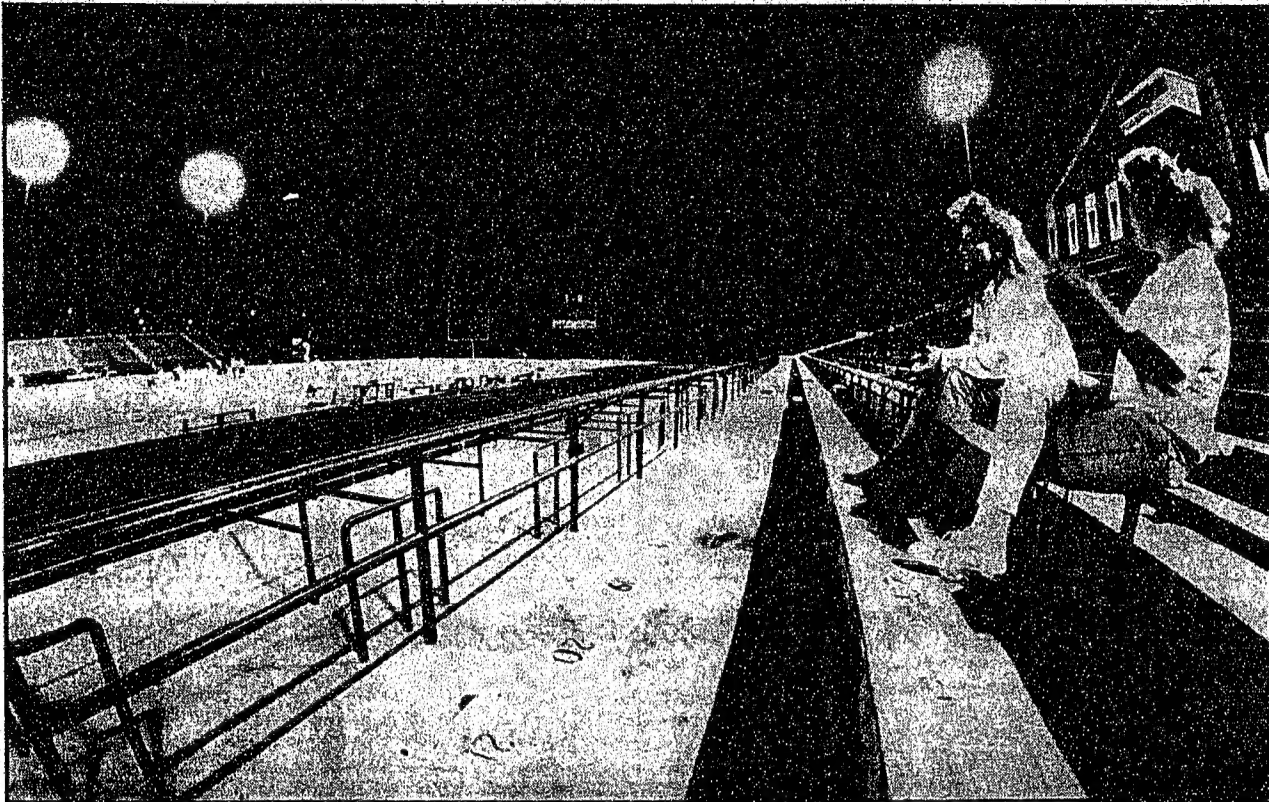
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— Dave Weaver

It's not Memorial Stadium

Chris Swarthout, left, and Anita Nickols were the only two fans to show up to watch their friends play intramural football Sept. 27. The crew from ABC Sports was missing, too.

Swank: Parking still a dilemma

By DARIN J. HOVLAND
Contributing Writer

Parking problems at UNO are nothing new for Campus Security Manager Charles Swank.

"It's a dilemma. It's a dilemma that's been dealt with for a number of years and is still being dealt with," Swank said.

Parking has not yet leveled off for students taking morning classes, he said. Lines at the garage and students hunting for spaces on the west end of campus are still common.

Swank said there are several reasons for the problems students have had with parking; for example, morning classes from 9 a.m. to noon have increased, enrollment has increased compared to other semesters and parking spaces were limited to begin with.

However, Swank said he feels the parking problem will resolve itself in the next few weeks.

"It's something you can't control right now," he said.

Earlier in the semester, Swank said he credited parking problems to drop/add week. But now he said he is a little more puzzled.

"Yes, it obviously is a little bit later than in previous semesters, but we expect it should smooth out more as the students get more comfortable," he said. But not everyone feels this way.

"If you want to park in the garage or the lots, you'll have to arrive before 9 a.m. or you'll have to wait," said one Campus Security officer.

According to Swank, parking has been monitored closely every hour, and data from the Registrar is being collected to try and work out the problem.

"It's not an easy, cut and dry answer, but I think every student should have a degree of patience," he said.

Many students have lost their patience and would like a full refund of their parking permits due to the limited

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International students affected

Policy will require insurance

By RICHARD L. CUMMINGS
Senior Reporter

Beginning this fall, international students will be required to carry health insurance under threat of disenrollment.

Sharon Emery, international student advisor, said the policy "came from a recommendation for the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs (NAFSA)."

Emery said the policy of requiring foreign students to carry health insurance is becoming more popular among United States universities.

She said for foreign students to be allowed entry into the United States, they must prove they are financially responsible for at least one year. This also includes education costs.

"Requiring students to carry health insurance is a further guarantee of financial responsibility," she said. The federal government does not require students to carry health insurance.

"Without insurance, health problems would put many students deeply in debt, and that debt could be a problem," she said.

In the past, foreign students' orientation stressed the need for health insurance, but "not even a majority had insurance," she said.

Emery said a letter describing the new policy was mailed to new foreign students during July. Previously enrolled foreign students were mailed a letter in August, she said.

Most student were aware of the new policy before the semester began, she said.

"Some students move just before the fall semester, and some may not have gotten their letter," she said.

Emery said responses to the policy have been varied.

"Some students were going to sign up anyway. Some felt discriminated against."

Non-foreign students are not required to carry insurance.

The policy was created and put into force by Educational and Student Services on the suggestion of International Student Services, Emery said.

She said the student must show proof of insurance to the university. A copy of the student's policy is photocopied and put in the student's file.

Students without insurance or whose policies are not kept paid will be disenrolled, she said.

According to Emery, students may buy health insurance through the university for about \$25 a month.

"Non-resident tuition is high enough, so the extra cost may hurt some students," she said. "Health has become a hot item lately."

Some universities require health records of foreign students, so this extra measure of proving financial responsibility is not discriminatory nor unreasonable, she said. The great distances between the students and their homes require some assurance to the university and the federal government by the students of their financial responsibility, she said.

Hoagland, Schenken show differences

Education one issue of debate

By ROB HELLING
Senior Reporter

No knock out punches were thrown during the 2nd District congressional debate between Republican Jerry Schenken and Democrat Peter Hoagland at Westside High School Monday morning.

Defense, a balanced budget, education and taxes were issues raised by a panel composed of Westside government students.

Research for Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) is supported by both candidates, although neither would endorse immediate deployment.

Hoagland said he would only support deployment if the Soviet Union was to have a system that was comparable

to the United States.

Schenken would not commit to deployment because a final price tag has not been placed on the project.

"You don't know the cost unless you do the research," Schenken said. "But let's don't bring the other issue of raising taxes in there. My point has been clear for over a year; I am not prepared to raise taxes, period," he said.

Hoagland is against an amendment that would balance the budget, calling it "economic quackery" and likening it to "an aspirin commercial that promises fast-acting relief."

Hoagland said when he was in the Legislature, he helped to balance the budget "by sitting down and making hard

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ACT scores same for Nebraskans

By LIZ WELLING
Staff Reporter

For the second year in a row, Nebraska students maintained their same average on one of the major college entrance exams, keeping them again above the national average.

For the ACT (American College Testing) program, the average score remained at 19.8 on the 36-point scale. The national average of 18.8 rose one point from last year.

However, the scores for the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) dipped for the first time in eight years by two points, despite continuing gains by minority students.

Scores for the verbal portion of the SAT fell two points to an average of 428. The average on the math section remained the same at 476.

Both parts of the SAT, taken by an estimated one million students, are scored on a scale of 200 to 800, with a combination of 1,600 being perfect.

Tom Burchard, an ACT monitoring counselor in UNO's department of Institutional Research, said the scores for that test have usually stayed within the 19-point range for Nebraska.

"It may be a little above or a little below. It just hangs right around the norm," Burchard said.

Students who are planning on attending UNO usually take the ACT entrance exam, he said.

The results of how well UNO fared on the 1988 scores for the ACT test won't be available for at least two more months, Burchard said.

For Nebraska, the verbal average of 487 on the SAT lost a point from last year's score. The score of 545 on the math portion remained unchanged.

Nebraska's ranking of sixth in the nation for the SAT stayed the same again from last year.

Minority students posted a two-point gain on the

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COMMENT

Presidential race lacks dynamic candidate

I awaited the first debate between George Bush and Michael Dukakis with some measure of anticipation. The event had been advertised as an attempt to reach those voters still undecided. It would appear there are a substantial number of us who are having difficulty choosing between the candidates.

Perhaps, like myself, many voters have not quite resigned themselves to the fact that they must choose from these two men. I find myself often wishing there existed a truly viable third choice.

Both of the candidates' actions on the campaign trail give real cause for concern. We have the task of watching how the two men handle themselves and then trying to imagine either of them in the White House.

The vice president has been running on Ronald Reagan's record, promising to continue the economic prosperity of the past eight years. However, economic cycles are a fact of life. Inevitably, what goes up must come down. And George Bush can't guarantee that the recession that will come won't happen under his leadership.

Then, of course, there's Bush's running mate. I hate to beat a dead horse, but he couldn't have picked a more unqualified individual. Dan Quayle is an albatross around the neck of the vice president. And he's stuck with him. If Bush is elected, we'll all be stuck with him.

George Bush's continued attempts to make an issue of the Pledge of Allegiance are becoming farcical. Michael Dukakis vetoed a bill that was clearly in conflict with the U.S. Constitution, The Supreme Law of the land. Bush's insistence that he would have signed the bill anyway raises

a serious question. How much regard does the vice president have for the document he'd like to swear to "preserve, protect and defend?" Someone needs to explain to George Bush what THAT pledge means.

Michael Dukakis has not delivered an impressive performance, either. Bush's identification with the Reagan record gives the vice president something close to incum-

Cherie King

Gateway Columnist

bency status. Dukakis must be able to convince the voters that he can deliver more than what has been accomplished under Reagan-Bush.

The current administration is vulnerable in some areas, and Dukakis needs to be more aggressive in attacking those soft spots. While we have a degree of economic prosperity, we also have a number of serious social problems. Michael Dukakis seems to recognize these problems, but his attempts to emphasize them have not had the necessary emotional impact on the electorate.

If we have problems now with drugs, crime, homelessness and AIDS, what will happen when the economy is

not so good? Our already overburdened "safety nets" are not going to be able to withstand a significant economic setback.

The Massachusetts governor doesn't seem to know how to press the issues. He asks the right questions, but seems a bit cautious about proposing answers. Dukakis is probably aware that the majority of Americans are leery of massive federal programs. He needs to convince the voters that a commitment to social ills does not necessarily mean a plethora of pricey legislation. So far he hasn't been very convincing.

The debate didn't do much to allay any of my concerns. Both of the candidates seem competent and relatively knowledgeable. I don't believe either is a dangerous radical who would lead our country into disaster.

But I can't shake the feeling that neither of these men has the character to provide the kind of leadership capable of initiating real social change. That may be a pessimistic outlook, but we can take comfort that America can make some measure of progress under even mediocre leadership.

Our Congress and state governments have the ability to make up for deficiencies in the executive. The beauty of our system is that it doesn't rise or fall completely on the grace of its presidency. Considering our current Presidential choices, I find this knowledge quite comforting.

MAILBAG

'Poor attendance'

To the editor:

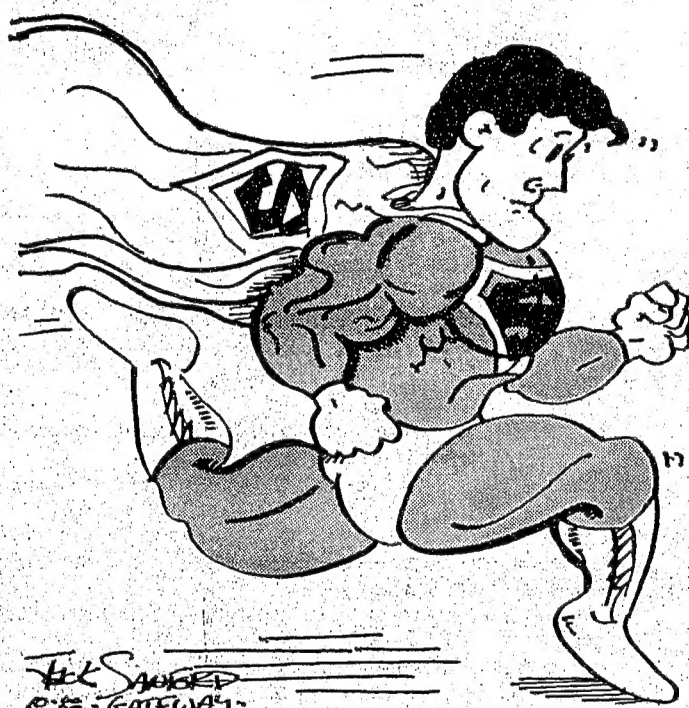
I was privileged to attend a lecture and discussion by Heelmut Angula, the United Nations delegate from SWAPO, South West Africa Peoples Organization.

It was a fine talk and very informative. Topics included South Africa's continued efforts to retain control of the front-line African states, both militarily and economically, and efforts to complete arrangements made in the UN to provide for withdrawal of South African troops from Namibia in exchange for withdrawal of Cuban volunteers from Angola. They are hoping to be able to elect a constitutional assembly by February.

The one disappointment was the poor attendance by UNO students. Getting a UN delegate to speak at a university of this size is no small task, and students should realize not all learning goes on in the classroom. Let's make UNO a place where people of this caliber will want to talk about after returning home.

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"OLYMPIC SCANDAL SENDS STEROID TESTING TO NEW EXTREMES"

ACCESS

Reader says: Helmet law erodes democracy

By THOMAS C. SCHAFER
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I would like to take this opportunity to respond to Cherie King's column of Sept. 23, "Questioned safety laws protect public, pockets," which, in essence, questioned the good sense and social responsibility of those who oppose the Nebraska mandatory seatbelt and motorcycle helmet laws.

The arguments cited by Ms. King in support of this position might, at first glance, seem to bear an air of plausibility; but upon a closer examination they lead to logical conclusions inimical to a free, democratic society. Two examples are cited below.

Ms. King maintains that the State of Nebraska has the right to regulate this sort of behavior, heretofore thought to be the private concern of the individual motorist, because "we all pay the bill" for death on the highway. But this is true for virtually any issue involving health or safety. We all pay the bills for death and disability from heart disease, from cancer, from falls in the home.

Does Ms. King advocate that the government step in and protect the individual from the consequences of his own actions by issuing a state-mandated diet, ordaining a state-mandated exercise period and making crash helmet use mandatory in the bathtub? Since virtually everything we do impacts upon our health or safety, this sort

of policy opens up the prospect of the government's controlling virtually every aspect of our lives, in a word, totalitarianism. This is certainly not to be desired.

Ms. King also states that we all have a duty to society to safeguard our own health, in order to "keep the social machinery moving." In other words, our lives belong not to ourselves, but to society or the state. This is all too close to Mussolini's dictum, "Everything for the State, Everything within the State, Nothing outside the State," for my comfort.

No doctrine could be more contrary to Western-style democracy than that which maintains that our lives belong to the State. It reduces man to the status of a social insect, devoted to work for the good of the "Hive." Society certainly has claims upon us, but not to the extent of total control over our lives. Yet, as noted above, there is no doubt that this is what such a philosophy must come to in the end. This also is certainly not to be desired.

In short, those who oppose such laws are not people who are too stupid to take care of themselves, as is maintained in Ms. King's column. They are, for the most part, serious men and women concerned with the continued erosion of the concept of individual responsibility upon which democracy is based. People such as Ms. King are doubtlessly motivated by none but the best intentions; however, as we all too well know, good intentions are no guarantee of good results.

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OPINION

Columnist offers mid-semester advice

With the school year well started, we've all discovered the pitfalls and roadblocks that lie in the way of achieving a happy and successful semester. Being able to identify problem situations and having the know-how to overcome them can make life much easier at UNO. With that said, what follows are this year's tips to academic success.

Dealing with people who work in Financial Aid, the Registrar's Office, Cashiering, Campus Security and the Administration:

These people have the power to seriously mess up your future. You *do not* want to get them angry at you. They've usually had a long day dealing with crass students demanding service as if they were their slaves. Treat them as you would an old friend. It's been a long time since any student has shown them any compassion.

Be subtle. Give them a big smile and a sincere "How ya doin'?" (Be convincing, these people can smell patronizing BS a mile away). You'll be surprised at how fast lost files can be found, parking tickets can be forgiven and checks can be cashed without proper ID.

Leaving class halfway through without pissing off the professor:

It's happened to all of us. You have to be somewhere in a half an hour so you're forced to leave class early. And we all know that look the professor gets when someone sneaks out.

The obvious answer to this dilemma is to tell the instructor your situation before class starts. But if you've: a) skipped class more than 12 times, b) have more than two late assignments left to hand in or c) are always leaving class early without an excuse, the last thing you want to do is talk to the professor.

Here's what you do:

1. Sit real close to the door.
2. Reach over, flick your bic and light your neighbor's hair on fire.
3. While the instructor is busy pounding out the flames, sneak out, carefully making sure you turn the knob as you

close the door, avoiding an annoyingly loud *click*. Make sure the room is well ventilated.

Skipping class:

Lies NOT to use for missing class:

1. I couldn't find a parking space (chances are the instructor couldn't find a space either, but he made it to class).
2. I over slept (chances are the instructor overslept, too, but he made it to class).
3. I had to be at work (you're implying that something is more important than the professor's livelihood).

Tim McMahan

Gateway Columnist

4. I'm having an affair with your wife.

Lies you SHOULD use for missing class:

1. My mother died (only use once per instructor).
2. You said there was no class today (a lie so blatantly outrageous the instructor just might buy it).
3. I was busy organizing a meeting of (fill in the blank with the name of the organization that the professor is advisor to).
4. I was sick (this old standby works best when accompanied by coughing, sneezing or projectile vomiting).

Ways to avoid getting called on in class when you haven't read the assignment:

This is a problem every student faces at some point in his scholastic career. To avoid getting asked a question:

1. Skip class.
2. Answer an easy question early in the class. Chances are the professor won't call on you again.
3. Act like you're feverishly taking notes.

4. Drool a lot and make disgusting noises with your mouth.

In case the professor does call on you, remember:

1. In literature, everything a) symbolizes God, b) is a phallic symbol or c) represents man's destructive nature.
2. In history, a) the effect of every national act is war, b) the reason for every war is economics and c) a country's economic strength depends on the number of years since its last war.
3. In math, don't even try to BS the professor. Instead, tell him you don't understand the question, than blame your ignorance on his lousy teaching skills.

Getting through the Business Administration building between classes when you're in a hurry:

Only one thing has been proven to get you through those crowded halls during the between-class crunch.

1. Place your palms on your face.
2. Tilt your head back.
3. Scream, "My eyes! My eyes!" as you stumble forward. People will slowly move out of your way.

A few final tips:

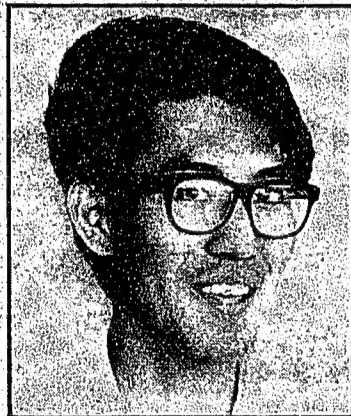
1. Non-traditional students, play the ignorance act to the hilt. The university caters to you and will allow you to do anything you want. If you get in a bind, just tell them this is your first semester back and you didn't know better. This excuse works for everything, including late assignments, late tuition payments, getting parking tickets forgiven, missing an entire semester of classes, etc.
2. If you have an instructor who has a habit of getting on a tangent and off the class topic, help him along. If you tell him a funny story about yourself or your family, chances are he'll counter with a story of his own that will take the entire class time to tell. When test time comes around, enjoy the low number of questions on the exam.
3. Don't drink a lot of coffee before a long class.

If you follow these tips, chances are your five to eight years at UNO will not only be rewarding, but enjoyable and carefree as well.

VIEWFINDER

Opinions solicited by A.A. Sarka

Q: "Should UNO sponsor homecoming and are you planning to participate in any of the activities?"



Makoto Hanita, graduate student
Psychology-

"I think it's nice to have those kind of things. Yeah, I'll do something."



Neil Bergersen, junior
Business Administration

"Yes, definitely, because it allows the students to get involved in the UNO community, and when they get involved, they do better academically."



Rich Krummel, senior
Education

"Yes, I was such a nerd in high school that no one asked me to dances. At UNO homecoming dances, I came out of my shell."



Lisa Noble, sophomore
Communications

"I think it's too high schoolish. Most of the participants are in the greek system, and that tends to exclude everyone else. I'm too busy studying to worry about 'Win, Lose or Draw.'"



Randy Portrey, senior
Engineering

"I remember when I was in high school, and people would jump the fence, and they'd get in free. In this case, I don't have to jump the fence, and I still get in free."

Drug users should be treated as lepers of old

Ben Johnson set two world records in less than three days.

On Saturday, Johnson soared to the gold medal in the 100-meter dash. On Monday, he plummeted from Seoul, back to Canada, amid what some are calling the worst scandal ever to hit the Olympic Games.

Even if you live in a cave, you must have seen the front page articles in the World-Herald. Johnson, a Canadian sprinter, tested positive for a muscle-building steroid shortly after demolishing American Carl Lewis in the 100 meters.

The Olympic Committee (IOC), in a show of strength, took Johnson's gold back and disallowed his world record. By Canadian athletic rules, Johnson cannot ever rejoin the Canadian national team. He is also banned from international competitions for two years.

What this means for Johnson, the so-called world's fastest human, is the loss of several million in advertising endorsements and a loss of prestige.

What makes the matter worse is everyone associated with Johnson has denied the athlete ever took steroids. Reports have filtered out that someone may have "sabotaged" Johnson by spiking a bottle of sarsaparilla or by switching his urine sample at the lab. Both of these reports have no credibility, according to Olympic officials.

Johnson has really done himself in. But in the process, he has seriously damaged the Games and the sporting world as a whole.

Steroids have been around for a long time. Although illegal at most levels of sport competition, many athletes use them to help get that edge which may help get a bigger paycheck or, as in this case, a gold medal.

What it really amounts to is that the athletes who use these drugs are cheating. Cheating the competition of a fair fight and cheating themselves by developing a "fake" physique.

Many people, including myself, have almost accepted the use of steroids in American professional sports. You can't seriously look at football players and think they could be that big thanks to Mother Nature.

But steroids in the Olympics? It's like the pope being a Lutheran. It just doesn't go together. We all may make jokes about East German women, but we really don't believe it ourselves. We just assume women named Inga from Berlin look like that.

Besides Johnson, two Bulgarian weight lifters were also found to have a foreign substance in their bodies and were sent home. But that's different, they were from the Eastern Bloc. We kind of expect them to cheat. But Canada?

American hurdler Edwin Moses made a statement following the Johnson flap which just about sums up the current situation.

"It's a big issue in the world right now.

We have no choice but to face it straight-forward," he said. "This is not a minor issue, something you can push under the rug. This might be the best thing that's happened to sports. We have to deal with the issue once and for all."

Bravo. But what can be done? Drug tests for all athletes? At least in America, some may argue that it goes against a person's civil rights. Random testing? That's the system we have now. While not great, it seems to be getting the job done.

The only true way to get rid of steroids is the same way Americans are trying to rid the country of smokers. Peer pressure. Lots of it.

The IOC took a step in the right direction with the punishment it handed out to Ben Johnson.

Athletes who cheat should be treated like the lepers of old. If nothing else, maybe the thought that steroids aren't the answer will filter down to the next generation. I hope so.

—MARK ELLIOTT



Do you know when midterms are?

This student (we didn't have the heart to wake him up and get his name) was found in the library. Oh to sleep, perchance to dream.

— Dave Weaver

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spaces on campus after 9 a.m., Swank said. Permits range from \$25 dollars for campus parking and \$35 for the garage.

"We have limited parking facilities, and parking is a privilege," Swank said. "We can't guarantee everyone a spot on campus, we just can't. So when you obtain a parking permit, you've obtained the privilege of using the parking facilities and services."

Because of the demand for morning classes, more classes have been allotted and therefore more people are on campus.

"If there were more afternoon classes, growth impacts would affect the enrollment of the university," Swank said.

Many students pose the question of adding another garage on the west side of campus or adding more levels to the current garage.

"The only way to build more parking is to obtain money

in some way," Swank said.

All of the new buildings, including the bell tower, are furnished by private funds, Swank said. Obtaining funds for parking is left to the university.

"It is illegal in Nebraska to use state-funded money for parking," Swank said.

"I'm not trying to tap dance my way around it, there is a problem with parking and there always will be at some time in the semester," Swank said.

Swank hopes students understand the main goal of services like Campus Security.

"The primary goal of this institution is education, and we will serve the academics."

Swank said he doesn't feel Campus Security is totally responsible for the early semester problems with parking.

"Everyone has a certain amount of responsibility, and hopefully, the apprehension of learning it will follow in the next few weeks."

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verbal portion to 353 and a seven-point gain in the math section to 384 for the SAT.

The number of black students who have taken the SAT increased 39 percent in the last three years from 70,156 in 1985 to 97,483 last year, according to the College Board.

Since 1976, when the College Board compiled ethnic data, the scores by blacks have climbed 51 points.

In the last year alone, the number of minority test-takers has risen by 23,066, or one percent.

For Mexican-Americans, a three-point gain of 382 in the verbal portion of the SAT and a four-point gain on the math portion to 428, combined their gain to 29 points since 1976.

The ACT exam, administered by the American College Testing Program in Iowa City, Iowa, is the predominate test for colleges in 28 states, mostly in the Midwest and west.

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choices." In the past, Hoagland said he would support budget cuts and, if necessary, new taxes to balance the budget.

Schenken said Hoagland had no choice about balancing the state budget.

"The constitution of the state of Nebraska requires it," he said.

Schenken also said a line-item veto coupled with the amendment would force the congress to balance the budget.

Education is vital to the growth of the state, according to Schenken.

"We need to make sure more funds are made available to students by converting some loans to grants according to need," he said.

Creating job opportunities for young Nebraskans is one of the core issues of the campaign, Hoagland said. He encouraged the high school students present to attend college, but did not give any details of any plan that would financially support the students' collegiate expenses.

Afterward, Schenken said the interest rate on the federal debt must be limited so that the debt could be shaved over a four to five year period. Tackling the debt too quickly would cause a recession, he said.

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Free testing

Free blood testing and diabetic screenings will be held Oct. 5 between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Goodwill Center, 41st and Pacific. The testing is sponsored by Goodwill Industries and Foster Medical Corporation with the Douglas County Health Department. For more information, call 341-4609.

Volunteers needed

The Family Service Domestic Abuse Program of Sarpy and Cass Counties is looking for volunteers to participate in programs to help deter domestic violence. Volunteer training will be held Oct. 1 and Oct. 8. For more information, call 291-6065 in Bellevue or 296-6049 in Plattsmouth.

Student Government elections

Student Government election dates will be Oct. 12 and 13 for the 32 Student Senate seats and officers. The filing deadlines for candidates will be Oct. 4. For more information, call 554-2620.

Truman scholarship

Sophomores interested in a career in government service are invited to apply for the \$7,000 Harry S. Truman Scholarship. One hundred and five scholarships will be awarded nationally. The deadline for application is Nov. 15. Contact Rosalie Saltzman, Honors Program Office, Arts and Sciences Hall, Room 418.

Picnic set

Chancellor Del Weber invites all faculty and staff and their families to a picnic at the W.H. Thompson Alumni House on Oct. 5, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. An RSVP is requested in Eppley Room 201 by Sept. 29.

Professor sets classroom on fire

(CPS) — To enliven a seminar he was leading, a University of Notre Dame professor set fire to his classroom Sept. 19.

Amateur magician and adjunct professor G. Herb True said he was trying to spice up his lecture with his "flaming hand" magic trick — in which "I flip with my finger and this flame comes out of my hand, or at least it looks like it" — when he became distracted, jerked his hand the wrong way and accidentally set fire to papers he was using as a visual aid.

There was minimal damage before the flame was ex-

tinguished, Notre Dame spokesman Michael Garvey said.

True, who suffered a minor burn, said he intends to keep using the trick in class as an attention-getter. "When was the last time you set fire to your audience?" he replied.

Jog-A-Thon

Join UNO athletes in the sixth annual UNO Jog-A-Thon. The 30-minute event will begin at 5:45 p.m., Oct. 1, prior to the homecoming game. Call the women's athletic department, 554-2300.

NEH Workshop

Dr. Richard Emmerson will be the guest speaker at a workshop for the National Endowment for the Humanities to be held from 1 to 4 p.m., Oct. 18, in the Student Center. Emmerson is the deputy director of the organization. Contact Sharon Davis, 554-2286, for reservations.

New Horizons for Nebraska

Attendance is open to anyone interested in "Talking About Tomorrow: A Citizen's Dialogue on the Future of Nebraska," a session of the New Horizons for Nebraska series. The series is designed to develop a framework for public policy. The session will be held Sept. 28, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Peter Kiewit Conference Center. Call 554-2358.

New textbook

Donald C. Cushenberry, a professor of teacher education, is the author of a new textbook, "Comprehensive Reading Strategies for All Secondary Students." The book will be published by Charles C. Thomas of Springfield, Ill.

Hoagland on KYNE

Peter Hoagland, the Democratic candidate in Nebraska's Second District Congressional race, is the guest on "Contact Omaha" Sept. 29, 5 p.m., on Channel 26.

Squirrels and nuts

A nature walk in Fontenelle Forest will focus on the squirrels and how they prepare for winter. The 90-minute hike starts at 2 p.m. Oct. 8.

Matching funds

The United Way and the Combined Health Agency Drive (CHAD) received word Sept. 23 from a special donor that contributions from new United Way/CHAD donors who did not give in 1987 will be matched up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Minority graduate fellowship

The deadline for the 1989-90 National Science Foundation Minority Graduate Fellowship competition is Nov. 14. Winners will receive stipends of \$12,300 for a year-long fellowship tenure. An application can be obtained from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Ave., Washington, D.C., 20418.

Bird seed sale

The Audubon Society of Omaha is accepting orders for its eighth annual Bird Seed Sale through Oct. 15. Packages of five pounds to 50 pounds are available. Orders will be in Oct. 29-30. Call 333-9031 or 397-0135.

Economist to speak

Paul Erdman will speak in the ABC Breakfast Series Oct. 11. The economist has written six national bestselling fiction novels. His newest non-fiction book is "What's Next?" For more information call 554-8300.

Small business help

UNO's Nebraska Business Development Center is designed to help small business owners compete more evenly with larger organizations. Service centers are open in Chadron, Kearney, Lincoln, North Platte, Omaha, Peru, Scottsbluff and Wayne.

UNMC researcher receives grant

Dr. Jayantha Wimalasena, a researcher at the Medical Center, has received a grant from the American Cancer Society to search for ways to stop ovarian cancer.

Marquette bans preachers

(CPS) — Angered by what they call unethical Church of Christ recruiting methods, Marquette University officials have banned all religious groups from proselytizing on the Catholic campus.

The new policy is apparently the first ban on preaching by any Catholic college in the U.S. University officials say the Milwaukee Church of Christ uses "manipulation" and "harassment" to convert students to the faith, described by one member as a self-governing "bible-believing church."

"Their tactics are manipulative by targeting vulnerable people and pressuring them so it is difficult to make a free choice," said the Rev. David Haschka, director of Marquette's Campus Ministry.

Although Marquette is a Catholic school, it says it does not attempt to convert its students to Catholicism.

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Toronto's Festival of Festivals: Reviewer's pi

I recently returned from a most unusual experience: six days filled with 30 or so films, interviews, "photo-ops" and press conferences, not to mention discussions of the films with friends or colleagues. Such might summarize my journey to the 13th annual Festival of Festivals, Toronto's international film festival.

Although I spent as close to every waking moment as I could watching films, I saw less than one-tenth of the films available for viewing.

This year the festival was attended by 570 members of the press and an estimated 250,000 additional filmgoers. It offered 279 films from 38 countries, running from 9 a.m. through 2 a.m. among nine theaters, almost all of which are within a four-block radius.

I would like to share with you a flavor of some of the films that particularly caught my attention.

"Soursweet"

An aptly titled, somber look at the lives of a Hong Kong

Elizabeth Tape

Cinema

family emigrating to Great Britain to make a new life for themselves. It introduces us to several wonderful characters such as the mother, the daughter of a martial arts champion who herself excels in the sport and her husband, industrious restaurant worker, who in a moment of weakness becomes the innocent victim of vicious gang warfare.

"Les Portes Tournantes"

A Canadian film, and another of my favorites, "Les Portes Tournantes" ("The Revolving Doors") was that day's "gala" presentation, attended by Director Francis Mankiewicz and lead actress Monique Spaziani. This work tells the story of a contemporary family, a divorced couple and their teenage son who lives with his father, to look after him, it seems, rather than the reverse that one might expect.

His emotionally distant father, almost unable to paint of late, is entrapped in the throes of a devastating melancholy since receiving a package of items from his mother — whom he has never known — including a diary that explicates reasons for their separation.

This powerful tale of families and love, told effectively through flashback with the grandmother's diary, successfully recounts two stories, and through the links between them, creates a cohesive and aesthetically stunning film.

"Salaam Bombay!"

One of the most intense films that I saw, this Indian production tells the story of Krishna, a 10-year-old boy abandoned by the travelling circus for which he works. He makes his way to Bombay, hoping to earn the 500 rupees needed to return home — we later learn that he may well not be wanted by his parents — but is instead thrown into a devastating nightmare of the streets.

Director Ms. Mira Nair paints a horrifying image of the ordeals endured by the homeless children of Bombay.

"La Ligne de Chaleur"

Another exploration of family inter-relationships came in Hubert-Yves Rose's disturbing "La Ligne de Chaleur" (no official translation is offered; the words mean, "The Line of Heat").

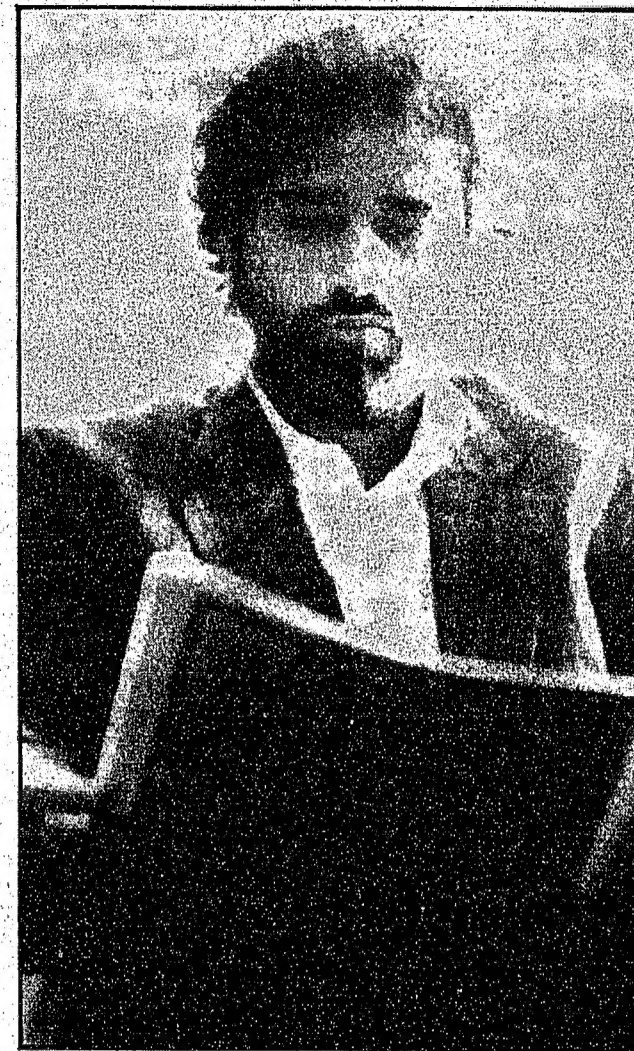
The work opens with a telephone call in which a Montreal man learns of the death of his father, vacationing in Florida. After a brief visit to his mother — his parents have separated — the man — he too is estranged from his wife — and his son travel to Florida. Particularly memorable are several images of the grandfather's apartment: the camera lingers on his shoes, his slippers and a jacket hanging over a chair: small details in stark contrast to the overwhelming magnitude of death.

The film also communicates intensely a sense of how this man, riddled with conflict about his feelings towards his own father, remains thoroughly incapable of any kind of relationship with his own son, so bewildered is he by unresolved struggles in his own life. Reminiscent of "Les Portes Tournantes," this young man also deserves a more attentive father.

I had an opportunity to speak with the film's 44-year-old director. From him I learned that the film bears considerable autobiographical content: Mr. Rose's own father died under similar circumstances and that in fact, he too felt considerable alienation from his own father.

"Helsinki Napoli All Night Long"

A Finnish film, Mika Kaurismäki's "Helsinki Napoli All Night Long" includes in its cast the venerable American filmmaker, Samuel Fuller. Told with the intriguing back-



Hubert-Yves Rose, director of "La Ligne de Chaleur" takes a break from the activities at the Festival of Festivals for film in Toronto, Canada.

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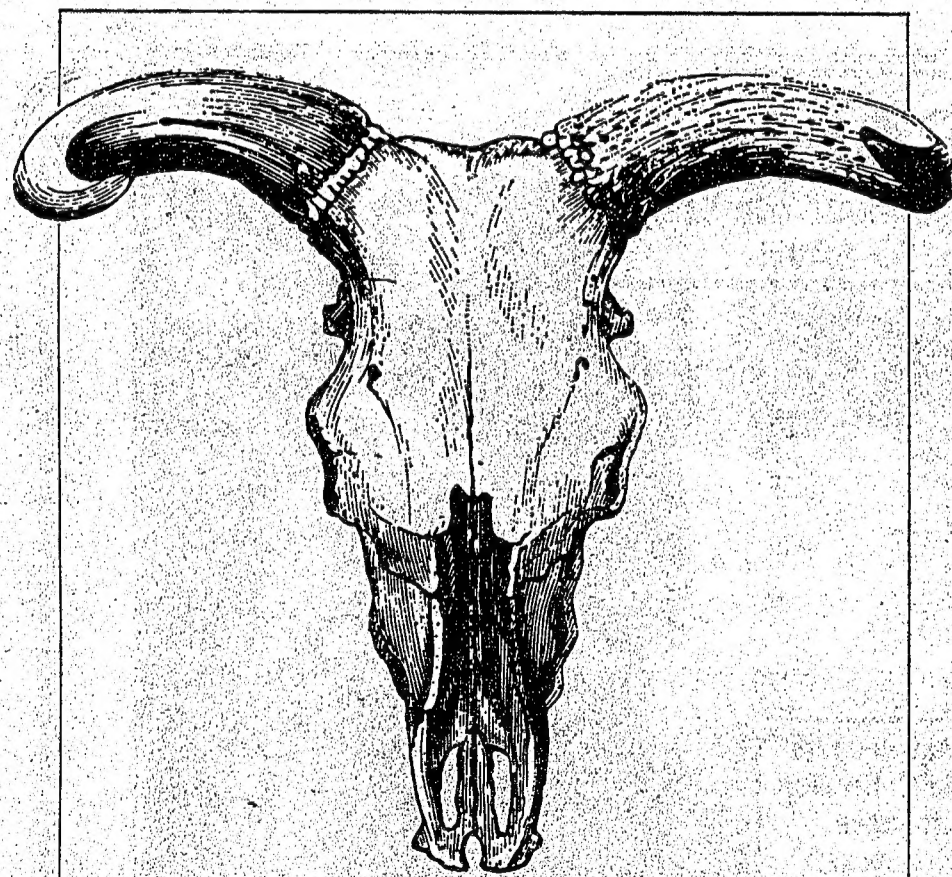
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ground of a taxi company's night shift, this thriller also delves into feelings among an unconventional multi-generational family. Included in this group is an inebriated Italian grandfather, an affectionate young mother and father, their cantankerous teenage daughter and their adorable infant twins.

"The Navigator: A Medieval Odyssey"

Vincent Ward's intriguing and eminently original work became another of my favorites of the Festival. Set in 1348 Cumbria, England, during the ravage of the Black Plague, a young boy is haunted by fragments of a dream involving a burrowing through the earth to undertake a placing of a spire.

Feeling that the fulfillment of this vision represents the village's only hope against certain death, the young boy, his brother and four other men set out on this perilous quest and find themselves in 1988 New Zealand, leading towards the film's sorrowful conclusion.

Visually and musically one of the most arresting films I have seen recently, the film's opening images of a sky and a moon, a young boy and his vision are breath-taking; Mr. Ward's use of black and white cinematography, that open and close the film, and his use of sound effects, are awe-inspiring. Within an instant of this film's inception, I knew that I would enjoy and admire it, and indeed I did.

"We Think the World of You"

Another of my favorite films of the Festival was British director Colin Gregg's "We Think the World of You." How could I not like this film that features a baby and a dog as two of its lead characters?

It tells of events in the lives of an older man Frank (Alan Bates) and his young friend Johnny (Gary Oldman) after Johnny has been sent to prison for a year. When Frank visits him shortly after his sentencing, Johnny asks him to mind his dog Evie during his incarceration.

Although Frank initially declines, he comes to recognize her mistreatment at the hands of Johnny's parents. He seeks to take over custody of Evie, who has become a symbol of Johnny's loyalty and affection.

There were many more mainstream American films shown at the Festival of Festivals, including an upcoming John Schlesinger film starring Shirley MacLaine titled "Madame Sousatzka," set in London, about a somewhat unorthodox piano teacher and a brilliant pupil. When it opens, I hope to report some interesting comments from

See Toronto on page 12



Shafiq Syed (left) portrays a homeless boy in Bombay, India in the film "Salaam Bombay!"

Homecoming features education college

UNO's 1988-89 homecoming celebration includes several events sponsored by this year's featured college, the College of Education.

A Distinguished Alumni luncheon will be held Friday in the Student Center Ballroom featuring alumnus Ronald Withem, Nebraska state senator, from the 14th District.

Withem will be one of the alumni honored at the luncheon along with Luvern Cunningham, a professor at Ohio State University. Cunningham spoke at the Distinguished Lecturer Presentation Sept. 29.

Three free seminars are also being offered Friday on the third floor of the Student Center. The seminars are open to the public.

Topics include "Starting Family Therapy: The First Interview," "Children at Risk: Cooperative Programs Between School and Community" and "An Overview of Social Security and Supplemental Security Income: Special Needs Students in Transition."

A university-wide alumni banquet and dance will be held Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center. Reservations are required, and alumni should contact the UNO Alumni House.

The final activity will be a pre-game party in the Student Center Ballroom. The party is \$7.50 per person and includes football game tickets and refreshments. Reservations should be made through the Alumni House.

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42nd City: Home of Omaha's improvisation

By STEVE CHASE
Arts and Entertainment Editor

The storyline goes as follows:
"Boy meets boy... lumberjack kills the wolf... the taxidermy shop is closed."

In between all of this plays a strange tale that includes the Adventureland amusement park, compromising sexual positions, a pack of cub scouts, several mass murders, movie director George Lucas, a few Uzi submachine guns, several time warps and TV actress Nel Carter.

What sounds like NBC's new fall season is actually one of the improvisational acts preformed by the 42nd City, a comedy troupe from Omaha.

Michael "The Shark" Priester, a UNO senior in education and one of the founders of 42nd City, said the six-member group (who all have silly nicknames) are attempting to find an audience for improvisational comedy in this area.

"One of the great things about improv groups is that there's always something new with every show," he said. "If you go to a comedy shop more than once, you always see the same person do the same act."

The troupe was founded by Priester and fellow comedian Rob "Noxious" Baker. They were joined by Ryle "Boogie" Smith and UNO theater major Robyn "War" Munger whom they worked with on the "Agnes Morehead Show" which aired a few years ago on Cox Cable.

Although 42nd City started out performing planned comedy skits that were pioneered on "Agnes Morehead," the four original members found the skits boring after a few shows. Baker said he and other members got interested in improvisational comedy about two years ago and decided to form a group.

The group has added two new members, Nancy "Magic" Johnson and Christa "Razzle Dazzle" Miller. Both Miller and Johnson are UNO students.

Priester said the reason they like improv is because it doesn't rely on the performers alone.

"There's so many variations of improv — it's kind of like a game," he said. "The more we get the audience involved, the funnier it gets."

"Laughs come from the situation and the joke, not just the joke," Smith added.

"The comedy asks the audience to participate in and set up the situation," he said.

One example is the "storyline" improv

such as the "Boy meets Boy" mentioned above. In this, the troupe asks the audience to give them the begging of a story ("Boy meets boy") a middle ("lumberjack kills the wolf") and an end ("the taxidermy shop is closed").

In between the three phrases, five performers are required to ad-lib a storyline while another member gives a handclap for a signal to switch performers. With the signal, the storyline is given to the next improvisationalist and that person must ad-lib from where the previous person left off.

The storylines may go as follows:
Baker: "A boy meets a boy and they get together with... (clap)"

Miller: "... A lumberjack with a strange fetish of... (clap)"

Priester: "... putting panty hose over his head... (clap)"

Munger: "... then they all went to Adventureland..."

Baker said the ideas for some of the improv came from "The Second City," an improvisational comedy troupe that originated in Chicago. Other methods have come from more non-traditional sources.

"There's this joke improv I picked up from two friends of mine that had the gift to be witty," Noxious said.

"The audience gives a number and an object such as '345' and 'paper towels' and that'll be the format we'll use."

This format is usually in a standard joke line such as "345 paper towels walked into a bar..." and a troupe member has to finish the joke.

Although most of the comedy is done by audience suggestions (the troupe does perform some short skits), members said some ideas from the audience can get stale after a while.

"A lot of the dirty stuff gets old after a while," Johnson said.

"When we ask for suggestions, (such as the subjects for their 'occupation' improv) we usually get a lot of gynecologists and proctologists," added Munger.

The group said they try to stay away from the cheap sex jokes so the group can come up with innovative ad-lib humor. The focus on the group, as Priester said, is improving each member's creativity rather

than having a set of standard jokes.

"It's the individuals that make it work as a group," he said.

"The beauty of improv is that the better you get, the easier it becomes," he said. "Audiences are more appreciative if they know what you're saying is comedy that comes off the top of your head."

Other members like Johnson, whose major is in theater, have found their experience in theater helpful in improving acting skills.

"It's great having experience on what you can do off the top of your head," she said. "This type of training is really helpful, especially in auditions."

The troupe is presently using their skills performing in "comedy nights" in places such as Omaha's Scorecard Lounge. Soon, some of the members hope they can take their skills to UNO.

Priester said that Smith, Baker and himself staged an improvisation workshop earlier this year through UNO's fine arts department. He said that they hope to do the same in 1989.

WEEKEND WIRE The Firehose Church

If you're listening to music now, stop. If you don't, you're in trouble. October is going to be a musical onslaught that will make you be happy when November finally comes. Stay home tonight and let the weekend spill over into Monday.

Tomorrow night, five area bands take the stage at the Knights of Columbus, 3301 Harney, in a benefit for Youth For Peace (YFP), a UNO student organization. I know, YFP has a reputation for being too liberal a bunch, but the lineup of bands is a definite must see. Scheduled to perform are 13 Nightmares, Acorns, Decades, ED Children and Mousetrap.

The band 13 Nightmares is from Lincoln, a city with a bigger football team and a music scene that for all practical purposes puts Omaha to shame. Mousetrap, a new band on the scene, shows much promise of being one of Omaha's premier bands. Admission is \$3 (that's 60 cents a band, kids).

Sunday, the Ranch Bowl plays host to Firehose and Screaming Trees. Firehose has two albums to date and has been a darling on the college charts since 1986. Screaming Trees are an "up 'n' coming" band with heavy influences found in loud guitar psychedelia.

Unlike YFP, the Ranch Bowl has a reputation for being too conservative. OK, that's fair, but I guarantee you won't here any Rod Stewart, any Def Leppard. Admission is \$6 in advance, \$7 the day of the show. It's an all-ages show.

Monday, The Church comes to the Peony Park Ballroom. The Church was a band heralded as lord in this space earlier this year. And that heralding sticks. Cool guitars, smart lyrics — call it intellectual pop.

What makes Monday all the more special is the appearance of Tom Verlaine opening the show. Verlaine is a founding member of Television, one of the few American bands from the 1970s worth listening to. Verlaine's

work in television is a big reason bands like the Church are possible. Admission is \$12.50. Come early, it's going to be a big, big show.

After this battery of music, we get a couple of weeks off. Study then and prepare for your tests. Two shows in Lincoln bring a return to the commercial and overplayed. Wednesday, Oct. 19, brings the return of Def Leppard to Nebraska. Last time they were here they played two shows in Omaha (we got \$60 a piece for scalping our \$15 tickets). If for no other reason, buying tickets for Def Leppard can be a lucrative venture. That or to watch the drummer.

Seriously, if you feel the need to drive down to Lincoln, the "City of Logs," check out the opening band, L.A. Guns. They're a hot band that's climbing up the charts even as you read this.

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SPORTS

Lady Maverick volleyball stalls on coast

By KRIS FREDENBURG
Staff Reporter

The Lady Mavs went west for the weekend to participate in the Portland Showcase Invitational in Portland, Ore., Sept. 23 and 24.

UNO lost three of four matches to top Division II teams, leaving their record at 6-5.

In first-round action, the Mavs went up against 1987 Final Four member Cal State-Northridge. Although the Mavs came out strong winning the first match 15-9, Northridge quickly turned the tables, claiming second- and third-game wins 15-9 and 18-16.

Determined to win, the Mavs held on, snatching a fourth-game win 15-12. But third-ranked Northridge was too much for UNO to handle as the California team shut

the Mavs down in a decisive 1-15 conclusion.

The Mavs added two more losses, falling 14-16, 4-15 and 4-15 to Cal State-Sacramento and 11-15, 2-15 and 8-15 to Portland State, who later took the tournament.

UNO's only win came against Puget Sound, sweeping their west coast opponent 15-12, 15-12 and 15-6 in their final match of the tournament.

Head Coach Karen Uhler praised the outstanding play of senior Ruth Evans and sophomore Brenda Baumann. Evans, leading in kills and blocks for the season, was named to the Portland Showcase All-Tournament team, which consists of the top eight players in the tournament.

Baumann, who according to Uhler has shown "exceptional growth" in her skills this season, played a key role in the outside hitter's position.

Uhler noted the inexperience of the team and the limit

in personnel as factors in the team's loss record. However, Uhler said she has no complaints about the tough schedule.

"It doesn't get easier," Uhler said. "We had a slow start in tournament play," namely because UNO's competition had competed in more tournaments in early-season play.

Gaining experience seems to be the Lady Mavs' main concern; they are gearing up for competition later in the season.

"We want to be as competitive as possible," Uhler said. "We want to play our game, to push for every point and to play as scrappy as possible."

The Lady Mavs will be faced with more stiff competition as they go on the road again Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 to play in the North Dakota State Invite.

Fall intramurals beginning

By JAMIE SAKER
Contributing Writer

Although involvement in intramural sports has declined this semester, the program continues to provide access for athletes.

"We're down to 24 teams in the men's (flag football) division this year, which is down from last year's 25-30 teams," said intramurals Director Joe Kaminski.

In the co-rec flag football division, all activities were discontinued due to a shortage of teams.

"We were down three teams in the co-rec (flag football)," Kaminski said. "We only had one team sign up."

The main reason for the decline was due to a new policy requiring a forfeit deposit, Kaminski said. The deposit, which was requested by many of last year's players, is returned after players attend all scheduled

games.

In the tennis singles competition, 19 players are competing under a new self-paced ladder system. By challenging opponents two rungs above on the ladder or being challenged by another player, students are allowed to set up individual match times.

"It's good because people can make their own schedule," Kaminski said.

Students looking for some action on the putting green may have to wait until the spring semester for golf action. The golf league was scheduled to play at Elmwood Park, but because of repairs on the first four greens, the activity has been postponed.

Upcoming intramural activities for students include the bowling league, racquetball and squash leagues, wallyball, volleyball, soccer, basketball, swimming and wrestling.



—Jamie Saker

The Gator Brigade and the Pen and Sword compete in men's flag intramural football.

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Athletic department searches for director

By DARIN J. HOVLAND
Contributing Writer

The countdown to hiring a new athletic director has begun, according to Elaine Hess.

"The chancellor would like the position to be filled by the first of January," said Hess, associate vice chancellor of Academic Affairs.

The application deadline was Sept. 30, and Hess expects to hear from 30 to 40 people nationwide.

"We advertised in the NCAA News and the World-Herald as well," she said.

Hess leads a search committee of 13 people who will test the applicants.

Gary Anderson, UNO Sports Information director and current interim athletic director, made it clear he would not be in the running for the job.

"I have not and will not apply for the position. I am satisfied with being the Sports Information director," he said. "I will be a part of the search committee and will be giving my input."

Anderson took over the vacated spot when Bobby Thompson left last spring. He would like the new director to bring a new perspective to UNO.

"I hope we find a person with some fresh ideas both academically and athletically," he said.

Both Anderson and Hess stressed the importance of an academically minded person. Hess said she will be looking for applicants with graduate degrees.

"A graduate degree would help, but that doesn't necessarily mean we wouldn't hire someone who doesn't have one," she said.

Both Hess and Anderson think one athletic director should govern both men's and women's athletics. Connie Claussen, coordinator of women's athletics, must answer to the men's director.

"Until there are separate facilities, we will keep our program the way it is," Hess added.

Anderson thinks UNO's programs are high quality, and improvements made from the new athletic director may break the shadow of UNL's athletics.

"We are almost at top program form right now, we just need the right breaks," Anderson said.

Anderson said recruiting has been outstanding the past few years and that UNO has a stable athletic department with a lot of depth.



— Dave Weaver

UNO puts 4-0 mark on the line in the homecoming game, playing South Dakota State, Saturday 7:30 p.m.

Football team undefeated, ranks 12th

By TERRY O'CONNOR
Staff Reporter

Unbeaten UNO can attain a level achieved by just one Sandy Buda-coached football team this Saturday with a win in its homecoming game.

The 4-0 Mavs, set to play South Dakota State at 7:30 p.m. on Caniglia Field, will become the only team besides Buda's 1973 squad to go 5-0 with a victory. The '73 Mavs sagged badly after winning their first seven games, dipping to a 7-3 mark.

SDSU brings a 1-3 mark into the game, 0-2 in the North Central Conference.

UNO, which crashed the Division II football rankings at No. 12 this week for the first time since the '87 preseason poll, is in a three-way tie at the top of the NCC. The Mavs, top-ranked North Dakota State and No. 4 St. Cloud State are all 2-0 in league play.

Augustana, the NCC's other ranked team at No. 20, is 3-1 overall, 1-1 in the league. The Vikings' only setback is a 28-26 defeat to NDSU last weekend.

The Mavericks could have a struggle on their hands despite SDSU's tarnished record.

UNO labored on offense in its 13-10 victory over Mankato State last week, a win Buda called "fortunate."

The Mavs managed just 159 yards total offense and staved off a late Mankato State drive with an interception by Eric Robinson.

"We were a team that was improving until today," Buda said after the game. "But we won the game, and like I told the players, as long as this coaching staff is here, the bottom line is winning the game."

SDSU, however, has been moving the football. The Jacks rumbled 99 yards late in the fourth quarter to take the lead against state rival South Dakota before falling 22-21 on a late score.

Mark Kinnach, a 6-foot-2, 210-pound junior outside linebacker from Bennington, was honored as the UNO player of the game on defense for his play against Mankato. Kinnach made 12 tackles, with nine solo stops and three sacks. He also was credited with one of MSU's four fumbles.

Russell Heins, a 6-4, 215-pound senior tight end from Grand Island, took the Mavs' offensive honors with four receptions for 67 yards including a 20-yard TD pass for the Mavs' first score.

The Jackrabbits, 5-5 in '87, notched a wild 28-24 win over UNO last year in Brookings, S.D.

The Mavs fell behind 7-3, took a 10-7 edge on LaRon Henderson's 68-yard TD burst, then trailed 28-10 before throwing a scare into SDSU.

UNO notched two fourth-quarter scores and was driving for the game-winner when time ran out on its final drive.

The game featured the emergence of Henderson as a UNO game-breaker. This year Henderson is hobbled by "turf-toe," a painful ailment that may not heal entirely during the course of the season.

Wide receiver Bob Gordon is the only other injured Mav. Gordon, who has three touchdown receptions, suffered a bruised back against MSU but should be able to play.

In the only lineup change, junior fullback Jeff Podraza was moved to No. 1 fullback ahead of senior Paul Anderson.

Podraza has gained 67 yards rushing this year on 15 carries. Anderson has 101 yards on 31 carries.

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COLLEGE PICKS

... BY ERIC LINDWALL

Editor's note: Last week Lindwall picked 18 right and four wrong for a winning average of 81 percent. For the season, his average stands at 82 percent.

It's time to get down to business.

The beginning of October traditionally means the nation's college football teams gear up for their respective conference races.

This year is no exception; however, some conferences, most notably the Big 10, are not as powerful or glamorous as in past years. We'll just have to wait and see which conferences emerge, as some of the traditional powerhouses fall to the wayside.

This week's picks:

TEXAS TECH at TEXAS A&M — College Station is an unhappy football town these days.

Jackie Sherrill's Aggies, picked by many preseason polls to finish in the Top 10, have stumbled to an 0-4 start.

For Texas A&M, a goal of finishing the season at .500 has replaced dreams of a national championship. Fortunately, Saturday's game should provide the hapless Aggies with their first win. **TEXAS A&M 24-7**

LSU at FLORIDA — LSU looked impressive at the beginning of the season after routing Texas A&M 27-0, but last week's humiliating 36-33 loss to Ohio State was inexcusable.

LSU's porous defense gave up an incredible 16 points

in the final two minutes to ensure a Buckeye victory.

Florida, on the other hand, has run its record to 4-0 while shutting out three opponents.

This game has been rated a toss-up, but the edge must go to the more reliable defense; take the home team. **FLORIDA 24-14**

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at UNO — Sandy Buda's ballclub kept its unbeaten streak alive last week with defensive heroics in the waning moments.

The Mavs held a 3-point lead with 18 seconds to play in the game when Eric Robinson's interception stopped a Mankato State drive at UNO's 15-yard line.

UNO was fortunate to come away with a win last Saturday, but South Dakota State's 1-3 Jackrabbits shouldn't be much of a problem for the Mavs tomorrow night. **UNO 31-9**

Other games this week include: TCU 24, Arkansas 20; Alabama 31, Kentucky 14; Syracuse 28, Maryland 13; Auburn 35, North Carolina 7; Oklahoma 41, Iowa State 9; UCLA 35, Washington 13; Oklahoma State 34, Tulsa 8; Baylor 24, Houston 17; Colorado 27, Colorado State 24; Michigan State 33, Iowa 21; Miami 40, Missouri 10; Texas 30, Rice 13; Michigan 27, Wisconsin 6; Notre Dame 45, Stanford 14; Clemson 24, Virginia 9; Florida State 31, Tulane 7; USC 28, Arizona 17; Georgia 24, Mississippi 10; Penn State 21, Temple 6; Hawaii 34, UTEP 14; and Nebraska 63, UNLV 9;

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Mr. Schlesinger and Ms. MacLaine.

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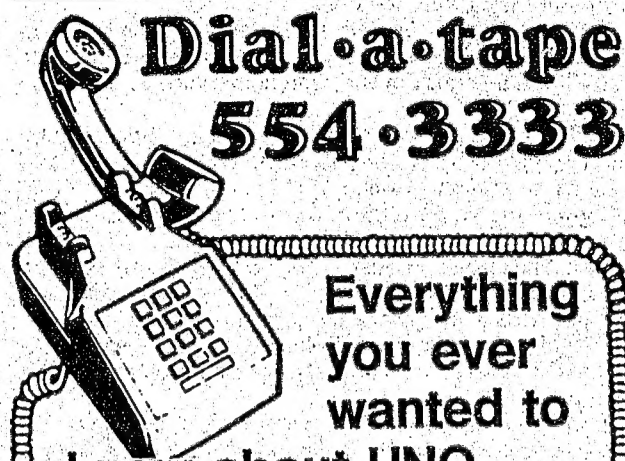
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